

**Department of Planning and Budget
2001 Fiscal Impact Statement**

1. Bill Number SB1116

House of Origin Introduced Substitute **ENGROSSED**
Second House In Committee Substitute Enrolled

2. Patron Edwards

3. Committee General Laws

4. Title Veterans Care Center; Board of Trustees.

5. Summary/Purpose:

As amended, this bill authorizes the board to oversee any new veterans care center that may be constructed in the future and changes the manner in which trustees are appointed. Currently, the Governor makes all appointments to the board, with the House and Senate suggesting nominees. The bill would require the Governor to make five appointments, the Speaker of the House to three appointments, and the Senate Privileges and Elections Committee to make two appointments. (Two provisions of the original bill were deleted in the committee amendments: removing the Virginia Veterans Care Center and its Board of Trustees from under the direction and supervision of the Secretary of Administration, allowing the Governor to remove trustees only for cause as provided in existing law and not at his pleasure)

6. Fiscal impact is indeterminate

7. Budget amendment necessary: No

8. Fiscal implications: Only one component of the amended bill has any potential fiscal implication, and that is authorizing the board to oversee any new veterans care centers. Should the board need to hold additional meetings in order to also oversee an additional facility, some minor additional costs for travel expenses of board members might be incurred, but these additional costs would be minimal. It is not possible to determine at this time if the board would require additional meetings, and if so, how many additional meetings would be necessary.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Affects the Virginia Veterans Care Center and its board of trustees. It also affects the Department of Veterans' Affairs, which is responsible for the construction of any new veterans care centers, including the center scheduled to be built in Richmond.

10. Technical amendment necessary: NO

11. Other comments: As amended, this bill is identical to HB 2305.

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